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Comments:

Dear Sirs:

Attached please find a response to the restriction requirement mailed October 20, 2004.

Gerald P. Joyce III

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Serial No.: 10/825,986

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Group Art Unit: 2858

Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CANCELING DC ERRORS AND NOISE GENERATED BY GROUND SHIELD CURRENT IN A PROBE

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- ☒ Response/Amendment ☐ Petition to extend time to respond
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TOTAL CLAIMS	6	MINUS	50	= 0	X 18	\$ 0.00
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Respectfully submitted,
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 20, 2004, having a period for response set to expire on November 20, 2004, applicants elect the claims of group I (claims 2-4 and 7-9)

A listing of claims begins on page 3 of this paper. Please note that claim 9 has been amended to properly depend from claim 8.

If the Examiner has any remaining informalities to be addressed, it is believed that prosecution can be expedited by the Examiner contacting the undersigned attorney for a telephone interview to discuss resolution of such informalities.


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If any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this Amendment,
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